

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Takuya HIROMATSU et al.

Serial No: 09/524,575

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For: SYSTEM FOR EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION



Group Art Unit: 1764

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner  
For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 28, 2000 *PK*  
~~March 13, 2000~~ 7/28/00

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the subject application as directed below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 7, 15-22 and 26 as shown below:

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TC 1700 MAIL ROOM

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7. (Amended) A system for exhaust gas purification,  
[comprising] consisting essentially of:  
an adsorbent zone comprising at least one adsorbent capable of